THE CANADIAN CHAMPION

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Boys net silver in Ontario basketball finals

A silver medal was the prize for the Milton Monarch midget 'A' boys basketball team at the Ontario Basketball Association Championship at Ottawa on the weekend.

The boys played three games on Saturday against Orillia, Port Colborne a Barrie, winning the matches 60-43, 68-51 and 61-42 respectively. Clayton Magnus, Shayne Ridley and Marc Bubbs were the top scorers in these games with Magnus putting in 21 points against Barrie. Excellent bench strength came from Chris Szura, Pat Bourke and Enzo Lomanto.

In the semi-final game the Monarch boys defeated Belleville 57-48. Scoring came from the dynamic duo of Shayne and Jeremy Ridley with 11 points each. Magnus added 14 and Pat Sweeny 10. This advanced Monarch to the champion-ship game against Cornwall.

This final match provided the best excitement of the tournament, ending in a 53-49 win for Cornwall. With the lead bouncing back and forth between the challengers, Doug Garrigan and Steve Liddon came off the bench to provide tenacious defensive support.

Early in the third quarter, Cornwall took a five-point lead. Continuing to keep the lead with 15 seconds left in the game, Monarchs advanced the ball up court with their fast break to Sweeney who took a jumper from the three-point line, sinking the shot to bring Monarch within a basket. Cornwall, however threw a long pass down the court to sink a basket and the win.

High scorers for Monarch were Pat Sweeney and Marc Bubs with 12 points each.

Midgets move on

The Milton Monarch midget girls basketball team reached the quarter-finals in a field of 22 teams at the Ontario Basketball Association provincial championships in London on the weekend.

A 31-27 defeat at the hands of Orillia started the action Friday night.

The team's strong effort was hindered by erratic shooting, especially from the free-throw line.

The tournament format allowed the team to continue in the championship round despite the loss and the Monarch girls responded with a

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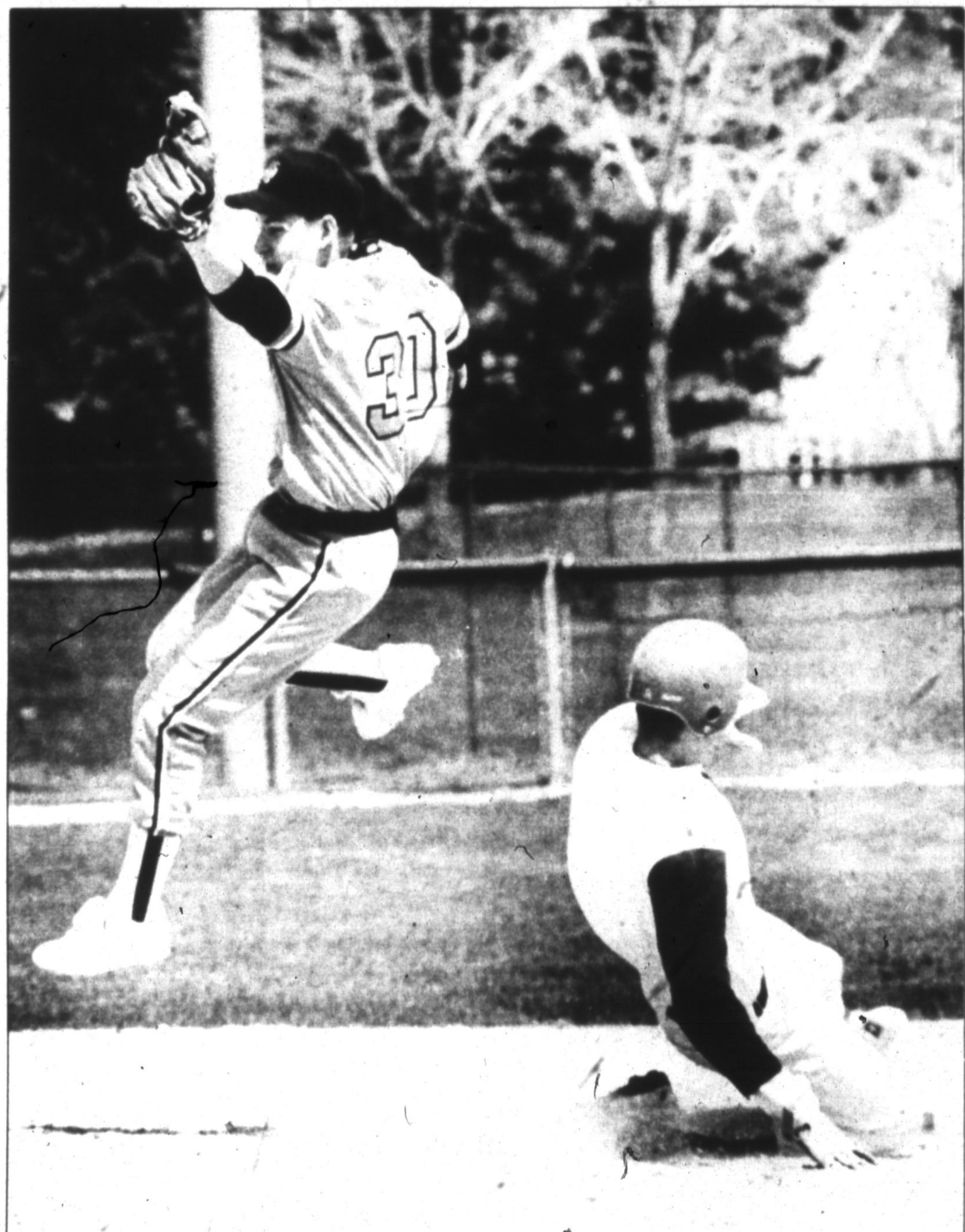


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Pick me!

E. C. Drury's Kevin O'Donnell slides safely into second base as Streetsville Tigers second baseman goes airborne in the attempted pick-off. Drury lost Friday's game 5-2, their first of the season, during a tournament at Century Gardens, Brampton.

Riggin off to camp

Top-ranked Junior A hockey player Travis Riggin of the Milton Merchants will be among the 69 players and 30 coaches to take part in the Ontario Hockey Association's regional camp.

Geared to players under age 17, the camp will run at the University of Waterloo from May 7 to 9. The camp's feature attraction will be Allan McCauley, 16, of the Kingston Voyageurs of the Metro Junior Hockey League, the highest-ranked candidate for the Ontario Hockey League midget draft in May.

In Orangeville

Pre-competitive Springers launch season

Jessica Deshaw vaulted to a third place to lead the precompetitive Milton Springers Gymnastics Club entry at their first competition of the season at Orangeville last Sunday.

Kara Finn came home with a fifth place ribbon for her vault at her first-ever competition. Other rookies, Katie O'Reilly, Rebecca Digrolamo and Alicia Robinson committed a few errors due to their inexperience and failed

to place

Deshaw, along with other level two pre-competitive team members Katherine Russell and Jennifer Smith in their second season of pre-competitive were able to size up the competition they'll face next year as members of the competitive team.

The level two girls had to settle for 9th place overall as Russell and Smith couldn't crack the top six.

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